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The countermeasures taken against the Ikhwan al-Muslimin by the Egyptian police have been largely ineffective, source states. Despite police surveillance, Hasan Banna is in regular contact with his followers and the underground movement of the Ikhwan, and uses the premises of the Young Men's Moslem Association as a meeting place.

- 2. According to source, Ikhwan members still have large stocks of arms, especially in Behera and Sharkia Provinces, and assassination threats have been made against King Faruq, the Minister of National Defense, and the new Commandant of the Cairo police.
- 3. The funds of the Ikhwan are still maintained by voluntary subscriptions, including the collection of jewelry, and contributions from labor syndicates and other organizations.
- 4. According to source, the allegations of liaison between the Ikhwan and Communist groups are conflicting and are based on hearsay rather than on concrete evidence.

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